Serial No.: 09/892,839

Atty. Docket No.: GE-07063

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Cofer 6-6-03

In re application of: Jorge I. Ciappi

Examiner: Stephen M. Johnson

Serial No.: 09/892,839

Group Art Unit: 3641

Filed: June 27, 2001

For: MISSILE LAUNCHER CELL WITH EXHAUST GAS UPTAKE DUCTS AND

ARRAY OF SUCH MISSILE LAUNCHER CELLS

REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

JUN 0 2 2003 GROUP 3600

Honorable Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This reply is in response to the Office Action dated February 28, 2003. Please amend the patent application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 31, please substitute the following for the Abstract of the Disclosure:

Abstract of the Disclosure

o6/09/2003 CCOFER 000000An 50164A missile launcher cell is structured to allow arraying into multiple-cell array. Each missile launcher cell of the array includes a support structure which accommodates a canisterized missile. Each cell also includes its own chimney and exhaust gas plenum, so that it may be used individually. [s] Since each cell has its own missile